

LUSK WILL URGE NEW LAWS TO CURB THE RED MENACE

Committee Finds Three Big Groups Carrying on Propaganda of Violence Here.

That radical agitation here is not due to economic conditions, but to an organized, artificially stimulated movement under the inspiration of the Russian Soviet Government is the opinion which will be submitted to the Legislature in an extensive report by the Lusk Committee.

Three big groups have been supplying the forces for wholesale dissemination of Bolshevik propaganda throughout the land, the report will assert; the anarchist group, including the Union of Russian Workers and other organizations; the Syndicalist group, the main body of which are the Industrial Workers of the World, and the Communist group, including the Communist party of America and the Communist labor party. In each of these groups the overthrow of government by illegal means, including violence, is urged upon the masses, the report will state.

New York is one of the headquarters for the organized movement, with others in Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit, where virtually every industrial center has a local head.

Upwards of 700 men have been employed by the committee in its investigation.

In its recommendations the committee will approach the subject of corrective measures for the radical menace in two ways.

First, it will recommend repressive legislation, not trying to limit free speech, but pointing out that free speech is abused when overthrow of the Government by violence and illegal methods is advocated, second, along constructive lines, it will recommend increasing the present educational facilities for adult aliens, better training of teachers, &c.

FLOATING MINES OFF COAST.

Twelve "Sweepers" Ordered to Clear Away the Menaces

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 9.—The reason for ordering six of the twelve mine sweepers here to "active" sea duty became known to-day with the announcement that a number of mines have been sighted floating in the Atlantic.



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SEEKS MANDAMUS TO PUT WOMEN ON BROOKLYN JURIES

Miss Grilli Submits Brief to Supreme Court—Wants Lists to Include Both Sexes.

Pleading that women should be entitled to sit in jury boxes whether the cases be divorce, murder, arson, or any other crime, Julia V. Grilli today asked Justice Laansky in the Brooklyn Supreme Court to grant a writ of mandamus to compel Jacob Brenner, Commissioner of Jurors of Kings County, and the members of the Board of Assessors to include women when making up the jury lists.

Miss Grilli offered the Judge a fifty-page brief, and said she preferred to submit this rather than to argue her motion personally.

"I would much prefer that you argue this before me," said Justice Laansky. "I will be glad to read your brief, but I would very much like to hear your arguments from you."

Miss Grilli refused, however, and her request was permitted. Assistant Corporation Counsel Probner, appearing for the Commissioner of Jurors and the Board of Assessors, requested permission to file a brief on Friday next, saying he had not time to prepare arguments for submission to-day.

MAX LENDS HELPING HAND.

And Is Fined \$2 Because He Got in Firemen's Way.

When fire was discovered to-day at No. 37 Heater Street, and the fire wagons came clanging around the corner, Max Zips of No. 23 Essex Street, rolled up his sleeves to help the fire-fighters. Fire hose knocked him down and ladders fell on him. Firemen kicked and cursed and Patrolman Storey told Max to fade away, but cheerful Max kept right on "helping."

For refusing to obey the command of an officer, Magistrate Nolan fined Max \$2, observing that we pay firemen to attend to these things in New York. Max paid the \$2.

BURR PROTESTS GRAND JURY CALL FOR CITY PAPERS

Confers With Justice Weeks on Subpoenas Served on Hylan and Department Heads.

Corporation Counsel Burr visited Justice Barlow 8. Weeks to-day to protest regarding the subpoena duces tecum served yesterday on Mayor Hylan, Comptroller Craig, Commissioner of Charities Coler, Commissioner of Accounts Hirschfeld and the Corporation Counsel.

The subpoenas commanded the city officials named to produce before the Extraordinary Grand Jury all the letters and documents in their possession which have a bearing on the recent sales of army supplies and food through the Department of Markets, of which Dr. Jonathan Day was removed as commissioner.

Mr. Burr is understood to have said the production of all the documents requested by the Grand Jury would hold up the work of the various city departments.

The Mayor is taking unusual precautions in having the records copied and the work is under the direct supervision of his secretaries.

METHODISTS FOR LEAGUE.

Favor Reservations in Ratification of the Peace Treaty.

The annual meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church closed to-day at the Hotel Pennsylvania with the adoption of a resolution calling upon the President, the Congress, the press and all others to unite to secure ratification of a League of Nations covenant.

The resolution favors the reservation regarding Shantung and expresses the conviction that the ratification should include such reservations as may be deemed necessary for a proper definition of our national obligations.

Out of the \$112,998 Methodist Episcopal Centennial Fund raised last year for a five-year World Program, \$10,500,000 was appropriated for Foreign Missions and War Reconstruction Work in Europe, Asia, Africa and South America in 1920.

COPY ALL CITY RECORDS, GRAND JURY CALLED FOR

"Safety First" Says Mayor Hylan In Event They Are Lost or Go Astray.

Forty expert typists in the various departments under Mayor Hylan's supervision were at work in City Hall to-day making carbon copies of all records subpoenaed by the Extraordinary Grand Jury. These records are from the offices of the Mayor, Comptroller Craig, Charities Commissioner Coler, Commissioner of Accounts Hirschfeld and Corporation Counsel Burr and concern the city's activities in the sales of army and navy food.

Mayor Hylan asked why copies of the records were made before they left his office, replied that he believed in "safety first." Then he added that in the event that the original records were "lost or strayed" after leaving City Hall and Municipal Building, the city's archives would still be provided with true copies.

ATHLETE AND MIDGET HELD AS BURGLAR SUSPECTS

Inspector Gray Also Arrests, an Electrician in Search for Skilled Robber Band.

Inspector John J. Gray in charge of the Detective Bureau, riding down Second Avenue, this morning, caught a not from his chauffeur, Policeman Kane, and glanced at the sidewalk at Fifteenth Street.

The inspector saw Morris Searaloff, of No. 226 West 45th Street, and Samuel Miller, of No. 465 Lafayette Street, both recently in Sing Sing Prison, and

an electrician, of whom the inspector desired to know more. The three were taken to Police Headquarters.

The inspector produced records of the robbery of the Princess Waist Co. in West 25th Street, of 150,000 worth of silks on Oct. 3 last, and also of the Weinberg clothing establishment at No. 43 West 24th Street, Aug. 14.

Both places, he reasoned, were inaccessible to the average burglar, and the three men—one an athlete, the other a midget and the third an electrician—were held on suspicion.

HINES DRAFTS REPORT ON RAILWAY LEGISLATION

It Goes to President, and Turning Over of Lines to Owners May Be Delayed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—After conferring with Chairman Cummins and Esch, of the Senate and House Interstate Commerce Committee, regarding pending railroad legislation, Director-General Hines has drawn a report with recommendations for President Wilson.

It was said at the White House to-day that the report would be given to the President to-day or tomorrow, but officials would not divulge its contents.

In his recent message to Congress the President said he would deal with the railroad situation in a separate message, and Mr. Hines was requested to draft a report on the pending legislation.

While the President has announced that the railroads would be returned to private operation by Jan. 1, there is a growing belief here that return of the lines will await enactment of permanent legislation by Congress.

ROBBER KILLED IN HOLD-UP.

Three Other Captured, One Hailing From New York.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 9.—Robbers who attempted to raid the safes of the Virginia Passenger and Power Company here early today were intercepted by the police, who killed one and arrested three others after a pistol duel. Plans for the robbery had reached the authorities and officers were waiting for the men at the car barns.

Frank West, leader of the gang, was killed, and J. J. Murphy of Pennsylvania, J. J. Opland of New York, alias "Jimmy the Wop," and R. E. Decker were captured.



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